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Resolution adopted by the General Assembly

[*on the report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/64/407/Add.1)*]

64/266. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 2006 (XIX) of 18 February 1965 and all other relevant resolutions,

Recalling in particular its resolution 63/280 of 8 May 2009,

Affirming that the efforts of the United Nations in the peaceful settlement of disputes, including through its peacekeeping operations, are indispensable,

Convinced of the need for the United Nations to continue to improve its capabilities in the field of peacekeeping and to enhance the effective and efficient deployment of its peacekeeping operations,

Considering the contribution that all States Members of the United Nations make to peacekeeping,

Noting the widespread interest in contributing to the work of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations expressed by Member States, in particular troop-contributing countries,

Bearing in mind the continuous necessity of preserving the efficiency and strengthening the effectiveness of the work of the Special Committee,

1. *Welcomes* the report of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations;[1]

2. *Endorses* the proposals, recommendations and conclusions of the Special Committee, contained in paragraphs 15 to 228 of its report;

3. *Urges* Member States, the Secretariat and relevant organs of the United Nations to take all steps necessary to implement the proposals, recommendations and conclusions of the Special Committee;

[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-fourth Session, Supplement No. 19* (A/64/19).

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4. *Reiterates* that those Member States that become personnel contributors to the United Nations peacekeeping operations in years to come or participate in the future in the Special Committee for three consecutive years as observers shall, upon request in writing to the Chairman of the Special Committee, become members at the following session of the Special Committee;

5. *Decides* that the Special Committee, in accordance with its mandate, shall continue its efforts for a comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects and shall review the implementation of its previous proposals and consider any new proposals so as to enhance the capacity of the United Nations to fulfil its responsibilities in this field;

6. *Requests* the Special Committee to submit a report on its work to the General Assembly at its sixty-fifth session;

7. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-fifth session the item entitled "Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects".

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Resolution adopted by the General Assembly

[*without reference to a Main Committee (A/64/L.53 and Add.1)*]

64/267. World Statistics Day

The General Assembly,

Recalling the report of the Secretary-General to the Statistical Commission at its forty-first session,[1] as well as the Commission's decision 41/109,[2] in which it endorsed the proposal to celebrate 20 October 2010 as World Statistics Day,

Recognizing the long history of official statistics and the facilitating role played by the United Nations since the creation in 1947 of the Statistical Commission, which was tasked with promoting the development of national statistics and improving their comparability, coordinating the statistical work of specialized agencies, developing central statistical services of the Secretariat, advising the organs of the United Nations on general questions relating to the collection, analysis and dissemination of statistical information and promoting the improvement of statistics and statistical methods generally,

Acknowledging the fundamental importance of sustainable national statistical capacity to produce reliable and timely statistics and indicators measuring a country's progress, which are an indispensable basis for informed policy decision-making and for monitoring the Millennium Development Goals at the national, regional and international levels,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 2006/6 of 24 July 2006 entitled "Strengthening statistical capacity", in which the Council called upon Member States, the United Nations system, international agencies, donor countries and organizations to support national efforts in building and strengthening national statistical capacity, in particular of developing countries,

Recalling also the adoption of the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics[3] by the Statistical Commission at its special session in 1994 as a milestone in the codification and promotion of basic values in official statistics,

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[1] E/CN.3/2010/12.

[2] *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2010, Supplement No. 4* (E/2010/24), chap. I.B.

[3] Ibid., *1994, Supplement No. 9* (E/1994/29), para. 59.

Noting that many Member States and some regions already celebrate official statistics through a variety of national and regional initiatives, such as designated months, weeks, days or events, and welcoming their support and willingness to coordinate such events under the auspices of the United Nations,

1. *Decides* to designate 20 October 2010 as World Statistics Day under the general theme "Celebrating the many achievements of official statistics" and the core values of service, integrity and professionalism;

2. *Invites* all Member States, organizations of the United Nations system and other international and regional organizations, as well as civil society, including non-governmental organizations, such as research institutions, media and all producers and users of official statistics, to observe World Statistics Day in an appropriate manner;

3. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take the necessary measures for the observance by the United Nations of World Statistics Day in 2010 and to bring the present resolution to the attention of all Member States and United Nations organizations;

4. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to report on the implementation of the present resolution and on the experiences of World Statistics Day to the Statistical Commission at its forty-second session.

90th plenary meeting
3 June 2010